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|  | **Rural E-Bulletin** |
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| ***If you do not wish to receive this* bulletin*, please respond and I will remove you from my distribution list*** Small TVRCC qrcode**Registered Charity No. 1080282****Registered as a company in England No. 3750700** | **This is a message sent via Cleveland Connected. This information has been sent on behalf of Action Fraud (National Fraud Intelligence Bureau)**Police Spam EmailThere is email in circulation that appears to have been sent from a legitimate Lancashire Constabulary email address. The email appears to come from ‘Lyn Whitehead’ and is asking the recipient to pay an invoice that is attached to the email.The email has not been generated from inside the Constabulary or by the Constabulary. This email has not been sent from Lancashire Constabulary. A third party supplier to the Constabulary has had their data breached, as a result of the breach this Lancashire Constabulary email address has been spoofed and used to generate spam to recipients far and wide.This type of email is commonly referred to as spam, and if you have received it you MUST NOT open it. Instead delete it from your email system to avoid infecting your device.**Protect Yourself:** * Do not click or open unfamiliar links in emails or on websites
* Make sure you install and use up-to-date anti-virus software
* Have a pop-up blocker running in the background of your web browser
* If you have opened the attachment and ‘enabled macros’ it is very likely that all your personal data will have been breached. You MUST change all your passwords for personal accounts, including your bank accounts.

If you believe you have become a victim of this get your device checked over by a professional.If you think you have been a victim of this type of email you should report it to Action Fraud, the UK’s national fraud and cyber crime reporting centre. [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/) If you do make a report please provide as much detail as you can about the email and any effects it has had on your computer. Additionally if your Anti-Virus software detects any issues in relation to this email please provide us with the details.  More information can be found on Lancashire Constabulary website<http://www.lancashire.police.uk/news/2015/october/email-virus-alert.aspx>You can get more advice on this by visiting the following websites:The most common Internet Scams are updated on <http://www.cyberstreetwise.com/common-scams>**For more information or support please contact: Janice McColm Senior Community Development Officer on 01642 213852 or email jmccolm@teesvalleyrcc.org.uk****For any other advice or information please contact TVRCC on****01642 213852 or Email:kreeve@teesvalleyrcc.org.uk** |